



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

R P Dawkins Middle

Spartanburg 6

Grades: 6-8

Enrollment: 840

Principal: Ken Kiser

Superintendent: Dr. Darryl Owings

Board Chair: Mr. Michael Crook

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD/SILVER AWARD	AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
2008	Average	Below Average	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2007	Average	At-Risk	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2006	Average	At-Risk	N/A	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT

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GOOD

2

AVERAGE

31

BELOW AVERAGE

10

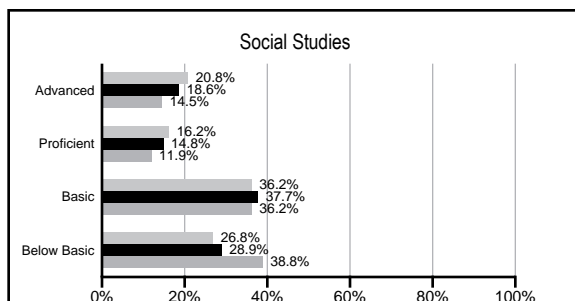
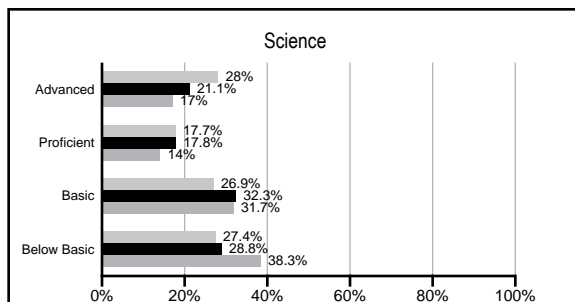
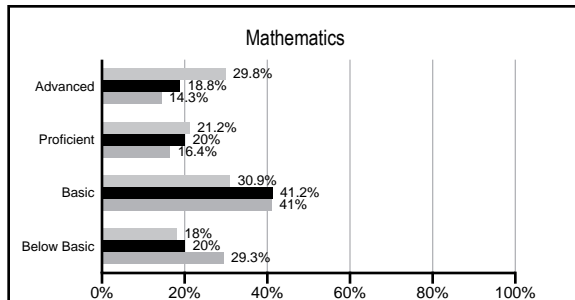
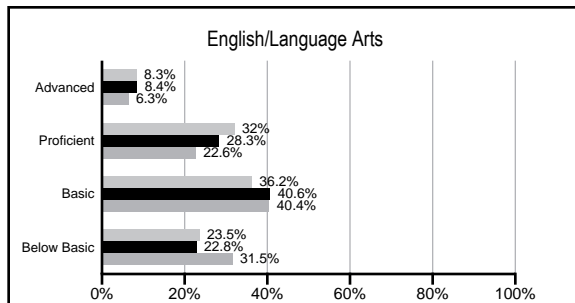
AT-RISK

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* Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/02/2009. Schools with Students like Ours are Middle Schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

PACT PERFORMANCE

Our School Middle Schools with Students Like Ours Middle schools statewide



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

READING - GRADE 8 (2007)

South Carolina	31	44	23	2
Nation	27	43	27	2
<div> <div>% Below Basic</div> <div>% Basic, Proficient, and Advanced</div> </div>				
<div> <div>Below Basic</div> <div>Basic</div> <div>Proficient</div> <div>Advanced</div> </div>				

MATH - GRADE 8 (2007)

South Carolina	29	39	24	7
Nation	30	39	24	7
<div> <div>% Below Basic</div> <div>% Basic, Proficient, and Advanced</div> </div>				
<div> <div>Below Basic</div> <div>Basic</div> <div>Proficient</div> <div>Advanced</div> </div>				

SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2005)

South Carolina	46	31	21	2
Nation	43	30	24	3
<div> <div>% Below Basic</div> <div>% Basic, Proficient, and Advanced</div> </div>				
<div> <div>Below Basic</div> <div>Basic</div> <div>Proficient</div> <div>Advanced</div> </div>				

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2008

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	100.0%	98.4%
English 1	0%	94.0%
Physical Science	0%	36.0%
All Subjects	100.0%	97.8%

SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Goal: TBD

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n=840)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	16.3%	Down from 23.0%	25.1%	19.4%
Retention rate	0.4%	Down from 0.6%	1.9%	1.8%
Attendance rate	97.1%	Up from 96.9%	96.1%	95.8%
Eligible for gifted and talented	37.5%	Down from 37.6%	21.8%	15.3%
With disabilities other than speech	8.2%	Up from 7.5%	11.4%	12.9%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.9%	0.7%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=54)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	74.1%	Up from 67.3%	58.0%	55.0%
Continuing contract teachers	74.1%	Down from 83.6%	75.0%	70.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	3.5%	5.4%
Teachers returning from previous year	85.6%	Down from 89.4%	85.9%	83.4%
Teacher attendance rate	95.6%	Up from 93.8%	95.0%	94.9%
Average teacher salary	\$47,933	Up 5.4%	\$46,089	\$44,706
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	4.3%	Down from 12.7%	2.2%	2.9%
School				
Principal's years at school	3.0	Up from 2.0	3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	23.0 to 1	Up from 22.7 to 1	22.0 to 1	20.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	92.1%	Up from 90.7%	89.8%	89.3%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$5,842	Down 3.4%	\$6,572	\$7,097
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	69.4%	Down from 72.9%	66.3%	64.4%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	66.5%	Down from 68.0%	61.4%	59.4%
% of AYP objectives met	72.4%		73.2%	69.0%

* Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	43	255	71
Percent satisfied with learning environment	97.7%	79.5%	85.7%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	97.7%	82.7%	91.3%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	97.7%	89.5%	91.2%

*Only students at the highest middle school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The mission of Dawkins Middle School is to provide a safe, challenging, and positive learning environment where all students have the opportunity to be successful and prepare for their future. Our students and faculty have earned numerous awards and recognitions for their accomplishments this school year in academics, fine arts, athletics, and community service.

The teachers at Dawkins Middle school are professional, caring, talented, dedicated, and very involved with our students both in the classroom and with extra curricular activities. Our parents are very supportive and are actively involved in the education of our students. The school district superintendent, administration, and board of trustees are very involved in the education of our students and visit our school often to interact with the students and staff. Students at Dawkins Middle School have the combined support of their teachers, administrators, parents, community partners, district staff, school board, and superintendent. We believe that by working together we can provide the safest, most challenging, and most positive environment possible for our students as we prepare them for their future.

Dawkins Middle School students and staff have been recognized across the region and state for their accomplishments. These accolades include "Closing the Achievement Gap" recognition by the EOC, 42 Junior Scholars, 7 Duke Tip Scholars, Math Counts national competition, undefeated boys basketball/ girls basketball/ and volleyball teams, wrestling conference tournament champions, 2 teachers inducted into Battle of Brains Hall of Fame, fine arts students earning all region honors/ all state honors/ superior ratings, and fine arts students performing at Disney World/ Carowinds/ Kentucky/ Middle School Convention.

We believe that preparing students for their future requires a commitment to excellence in academics, fine arts, and athletics. Our Dawkins Middle School family is dedicated to the preparation of our students for their future in all three areas, and we look forward to the continued success of our students.

Ken Kiser - Principal
Peggy Dawkins - SIC Chairperson

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